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FROM CABINET

But Pres. Fallieres Asked  
His Ministers to Remain  
Temporarily

POINCARÉ'S ELECTION  
PLEASES FRANCE

There Is Remarkable Ex-  
pression of Satisfac-  
tion Over Result

Paris, Jan. 18.—The French cabinet met to-day at Elysee palace under the chairmanship of President Fallieres, when all the ministers formally offered their resignations as the sequel of yesterday's election of Premier Poincaré as chief executive of France.

President Fallieres, however, requested all the members of the government to retain their portfolios until their successors are chosen. He did not indicate the statement would be asked to form the new cabinet.

The newspapers, even those professing monarchist and clerical sentiment, comment favorably on Poincaré's election with a unanimity unprecedented in French politics. In fact, it is difficult to find a dissident word.

Friends of Jules Pams, the strongest opponent of Poincaré in the balloting, aver it was the conservatives who decided the presidency; but to this statement the reply is made that the conservatives possessed 91 votes in the national assembly and that, therefore, with everyone of them supporting the candidature of Poincaré he would still have 96 Republican-radical votes more than Jules Pams, as he won the election by a majority of 187.

ALLEGED EMBEZZLER  
FOR OVER MILLION

Prominent Hungarian Contractor Arrested  
To-day at Budapest Was Di-  
rector in Many Companies.

Budapest, Jan. 18.—Ignaz Pallon, one of the most prominent railroad and bridge contractors in Hungary, was arrested here to-day on the charge of embezzling \$1,000,000 and with issuing a quantity of forged notes. Pallon is director in several railroad companies and municipal institutions in Hungary and other countries and he is alleged to have embezzled their funds. One company is reported to have been victimized to the extent of \$300,000.

## GIVEN GREAT OVATION.

William Cameron Will Received in Man-  
ila To-day.

Manila, Jan. 18.—William Cameron, the former governor-general of the Philippines, was given a great ovation when he returned here today. A parade of marines, which was formed in his honor, attracted great crowds and a number of receptions were held.

## THE CIVIC SECRETARY.

New Factor Introduced in American  
Cities.

There is a new official in American city life—the "civic secretary." He represents the link between education and life in the big cities. For a number of years American educators have been striving to bridge the chasm that seemed to exist between educational influences and the everyday lives of the people. By means of evening schools, libraries, extension lectures, and more recently civic, social, and recreational centers, much has been done. It has remained to combine these connecting educational forces under one active officer, and this has been accomplished by the new position of civic secretary.

The "civic secretary" at Duluth, Minn., is appointed by the board of public welfare of that city, according to information he received at the United States bureau of education. He has charge of all the local social center work. Plans to secure the same sort of officer are reported to be under way in several other cities of the middle west. The official may not always be called the "civic secretary," but his functions are generally the same. He organizes educational extension work; gives intelligent and sympathetic aid to play and recreation; stimulates discussion of public problems; in short, he consolidates and directs the civic agencies of the community for the benefit of all the citizens.

In Superior, Wis., a "city exposition" is planned by the civic secretary, who is here called "director of the civic center department." In this city exposition not only the local industries but the educational and municipal institutions will have an opportunity to exhibit their methods and results. The exposition idea is only a single item in a large program mapped out by the director. There will be various social and recreational activities, lecture courses, and a reading room, and a clipping bureau will be established to collect information on social, civic, and municipal matters.

## Deadlock Still in Senate.

Washington, Jan. 18.—Yesterday's executive session of the Senate adjourned with the deadlock over President Taft's appointments as pronounced as ever. The Republicans declined the Democrats' proposal for a conference committee.

## Flood Is Receding.

Cincinnati, O., Jan. 18.—The flood yesterday continued to recede slowly. The Ohio river stage this morning was 82.9 feet. Heavy rains seem to have had no effect on the flood and the weather bureau predicted a rapid decline to normal conditions by Sunday.

## THREE ANNUAL MEETINGS.

Of Chelsea Organizations Were Held Recently.

Chelsea, Jan. 18.—At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Orange County Creamery company, held recently, the following directors were elected for the ensuing year: Horace Moxley, A. W. Whitney, W. H. Luce, F. J. Ackerman and Dennis D. Giles. The directors organized by electing the following officers: President, Horace Moxley; secretary, Mrs. Eunice A. Lewis; treasurer, John M. Constock; business manager, A. W. Whitney; butter maker, Herbert F. Bover.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the National Bank of Orange County, which was held at their banking rooms on Tuesday, the following directors were elected for the year ensuing: Millard T. King, Willard P. Townsend, Hiram N. Mattison, Harry G. Woodruff and Stanley C. Wilson, and at a subsequent meeting the following officers were elected: President, Millard T. King; vice-president, Willard P. Townsend; cashier, Hiram N. Mattison; teller, Harry R. Wishart. Following the business meeting the directors repaired to the home of Vice-President Townsend, where a five-course dinner was served.

## PLEA OF JUSTIFICATION

IN ROOSEVELT SUIT

Michigan Editor, Sued For Alleged Libel, Said the Statements Were True and Their Publication Privileged.

Marquette, Mich., Jan. 18.—George A. Newitt of Ishpeming has filed in the circuit court a plea of justification in a civil suit brought against him by Theodore Roosevelt for damages of \$10,000. Newitt declares the alleged libelous statements mentioned in the complaint are true and that their publication was privileged because Roosevelt was running for office at the time.

## WANT FARM EXPERT.

Fifty Windham County Farmers Start Plan at Brattleboro.

Brattleboro, Jan. 18.—More than 50 representatives from 17 of the 23 towns in Windham county attended a meeting at the Brooks house parlors yesterday afternoon as the result of invitations sent out by the Brattleboro Board of Trade to consider the advisability of forming a county organization to take advantage of the offer of the United States government in regard to securing an agricultural expert to work in Windham county for the next two years.

A temporary organization was formed with John C. Dennison as chairman and Carl S. Hopkins as clerk. A nominating committee of three was appointed by Chairman Dennison, consisting of John H. Ware, John E. Paddock of Saxtons River and Maj. C. Houghton, and the following committee, N. L. Divoll, C. L. Stickney and George Aiken, to draft a constitution and bylaws.

## SETS \$1,000 AS LIMIT.

Helen Gould Won't Spend More Than That For Her Trouseaux.

New York, Jan. 18.—Helen Gould, although one of the richest American women, will confine the expenses of her wedding trousseau to within \$1,000. When she marries Finley J. Shepard at her Tarrytown home Wednesday, she will be gowned in ivory white, with satin and rose point lace trimmings, with a court train and lace veil. Her trousseau will be principally made up in purple and gray. Miss Gould's favorite colors.

## DRAFT SUFFRAGETTE HIKERS.

If They Don't Volunteer to Walk to Washington.

New York, Jan. 18.—General Rosalie Jones, who led the recent suffragette pilgrimage to Albany, proposes to issue an order soon for the proposed long hike to Washington, making it practically mandatory for the suffragettes to participate. She plans to require women who will not actually march to defray the expenses of a substitute.

## MAROONED ON HILL.

2,500 People Driven There By Flood—Assistance Sent Them.

Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 18.—Governor McCreary has ordered tents and blankets sent to approximately 2,500 flood refugees who have been driven from their homes in the vicinity of Ashbyberg by the rising waters of Junctione pond and Green rivers and who are now marooned on the hill near the town.

## HAT PINS AND UMBRELLAS.

Used By Women Strikers As Weapons Against Police.

New York, Jan. 18.—Several hundred women garment workers, who are on strike, fought a fierce battle with the police to-day, using hat pins and umbrellas as weapons. Five arrests were made.

## Pierre Loti's Opinion of New York.

Pierre Loti's "Impressions of New York" will begin in the February Century. To this general title Mr. Loti has subjoined the phrase "from the point of view of a barbarian from the Orient." As a Frenchman who proclaims himself an Oriental in sentiment, Mr. Loti's opinion of New York is very different from those of most distinguished foreigners. Both Frenchman and Oriental—morning the absence of a "soul of the past"—speak together in all he writes.

TRAINS HALTED  
BY A STRIKE

But Bangor & Aroostook  
R. R. Is Trying to Move  
a Mail Car

ENGINEMEN STRUCK  
FOR MORE WAGES

Officials Reply They Have  
No Funds to Meet  
Demand

Caribou, Me., Jan. 18.—Engineers and firemen on the Bangor & Aroostook railroad went out on strike to-day. Reports received here were to the effect that no trains were being operated, though the officials were attempting to move a mail car from Van Buren.

Notice of the impending strike was given yesterday after the directors had declined to grant the demand for increased wages. The officials declared that they had enough men to operate the usual schedule regardless of the strike.

The Bangor & Aroostook railroad operates through northwestern Maine from the Canadian border to the Penobscot bay, and it is the principal outlet for the print paper mills of that section. The lines also pass through the potato raising country and much of the freight business consists in hauling this commodity.

In refusing to grant the increase asked by the engineers, the railroad officials pointed out that such a step would entail the additional annual expense of \$34,000. For the past two years, they said, the receipts available for dividends had been only \$104,000 and no funds had been available for this purpose since July.

The railroad was not a party for the recent arbitration as to the engineers' wages, which took place in New York, and consequently it is not bound by the decision of that board.

At the meeting of the board of directors yesterday, Percy R. Todd was elected president of the company. Arthur Holland resigned from the position on the ground that the office should be filled by a resident of the state of Maine.

## CONSTABLE KILLED

MAKING AN ARREST

Maurice D. Beane Victim in Maine To-day and His Assailant Fled into the Woods.

Passadumkeag, Me., Jan. 18.—Constable Maurice D. Beane was shot in the breast and killed to-day while attempting to arrest a woodsman, who was charged with forging orders for small amounts. The woodsman, whose real name is not known, escaped into the woods and is being pursued by a posse of officers and citizens.

C. C. Whittier, for whom the lumberman worked, was convinced that the man had been forging orders and reported the matter to Constable Beane. When the constable attempted to arrest the man at a local hotel this morning, the lumberman drew his revolver and fired, killing Beane almost instantly, and he disappeared in the woods. The constable was unarmed at the time.

## DEPUTY SHERIFF SUED.

Rutland Man Sues To Recover \$1,200 Alleged To Be Owed Him.

Rutland, Jan. 18.—An assumpsit suit was entered with county Clerk Harman Thursday, in which C. K. Wilson of this city seeks to recover \$1,200 from Deputy Sheriff D. A. Barker of Rutland, part of which the plaintiff alleges the defendant kept from him while acting in a fiduciary capacity.

The plaintiff alleges that in settling difficulties between himself and J. Walter Lyons, a local attorney, charged with abducting Miss Evelyn Wilson, a daughter of the plaintiff, Mr. Barker acted as legal agent, and receiving \$5,500 from the lawyer, turned over to Mr. Wilson only \$4,500 besides receiving a large sum for his services as intermediary.

Mr. Lyons was arrested at Albany, N. Y., several weeks ago at the instance of the girl's father on a charge of abduction, but the criminal case came to nothing.

Mr. Barker's contention is said to be that he was not a legal agent and that the \$1,000 was never meant to go to Mr. Wilson, who settled for the sum he actually received.

## DEATH OF MIDDLESEX WOMAN.

Mrs. A. W. George Died of Blood Poisoning.

Mrs. Lillian Lawrence, wife of A. W. George of Middlesex, died this morning of blood poisoning. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George F. Lawrence and was born 40 years ago. Besides her husband, she leaves one daughter, Eunice L., a son, Glenn L., a stepson, Paul; two sisters, Mrs. E. E. Jacobs of East Montpelier, and Mrs. F. B. Milne of Montpelier; and one brother, Frank F. Lawrence of Burlington.

## There Are 2,000 Varieties of Apples.

In the January Woman's Home Companion Fannie Merritt Farmer, cookery editor of that periodical, published an article entitled "The Wholesome Apple in Cookery" together with fifteen recipes for cooking apple dishes. In her introduction, she says:

"Scandinavian legends affirm that the apple was the favorite food of the gods. It was one of the first fruits grown by the Romans; it was early introduced into England, and brought from there to America. It is easily cultivated, bears fruit farther north than almost any other and by means of grafting almost two thousand varieties have been produced. These facts show in part why the apple stands at the head of all fruits."

## PRIZE POULTRY CUPS.

Awarded at Close of Exhibition in St. Albans.

St. Albans, Jan. 18.—The 16th annual exhibition of the Vermont State Poultry association, which has been held at city hall for the past four days, closed last night. The exhibits were the largest and best in the history of the association and the management is very much pleased with the success of the meeting. Some of the birds will be taken to Enosburg Falls, where an exhibition will be held under the auspices of the Enosburg Falls Poultry association.

The special prizes of silver cups were won by the following:

The Wirthmore cup, \$75, N. H. Penniman, St. Johnsbury.  
Best display of White Rocks, C. L. Curtis, St. Albans.  
Best display Barred Rocks, cockered line, A. C. McClure, Middletown Springs.  
Best display of Buff Rocks, J. W. Jones, Burlington.

Best display Barred Rocks, pullet line, N. A. Gallant, Plattsburgh.  
Best display Partridge Wyandottes, Dr. C. L. Morin, St. Albans.  
Best display of Bantams other than games, A. C. McClure.  
Best display Golden Wyandottes, H. A. Brush & Sons, Milton.

Best display Single Comb Rhode Island Reds, F. W. Sault, St. Albans.  
Best display turkeys, L. L. Marsh, Enosburg Falls.  
Best display Columbian Wyandottes, C. W. D. Prouty, Swanton.

Best display Partridge Plymouth Rocks, J. H. P. Mossey, St. Albans.  
Best display Columbian Rocks, B. M. Shepard, Montpelier.  
Best display Rose Comb Rhode Island Reds, J. C. Holden, North Clarendon.  
Best display from Martin's Ancona eggs, season 1912, C. D. Ordway, Burlington.

Best display White Leghorns, H. B. Greene, St. Albans.  
Best display Buff Leghorns, H. B. Greene.  
Best display Brown Leghorns, H. B. Greene.

Best display geese, H. L. Penniman, St. Johnsbury.  
Best display White Wyandottes, C. G. Stevens, Manchester, N. H.

Best display Buff Orpingtons, W. W. Stiles, Albany.  
Best display White Orpingtons, A. W. Daley, Montpelier.

## ODD FELLOWS IN ASSEMBLY.

Canton and Minnehaha Encampment Held Installations.

Canton Vinton No. 9, Patriarchs Militant, and Minnehaha encampment, No. 2, I. O. O. F., held a joint installation in Odd Fellows hall last evening with an attendance of 175 members and their wives and friends. F. E. Sawyer of Randolph, district deputy grand patriarch, installed the following recently elected officers of the canton: Captain, O. C. Averill; lieutenant, H. G. Boyce; ensign, E. N. Folsom; clerk, O. E. Phillips; accountant, W. E. Beck.

The newly elected officers of the encampment were installed by Frank W. Jackson of Barre, department commander. They are: Chief patriarch, F. W. Jackson; high priest, John Howell; senior warden, W. E. Folsom; junior warden, W. H. Richardson; scribe, L. C. Beck; treasurer, W. E. Beck.

After the exercises of installation, a social hour was in order and several of the lodge members were called upon for remarks. Refreshments of cake, coffee and sandwiches were served and later the entire company adjourned to Miles' hall, where dancing was enjoyed.

## JUDGE NICHOLS' FUNERAL.

Was Held at His Home on Brantree Hill Yesterday.

Randolph, Jan. 18.—The funeral of Hon. William H. Nichols, former judge of the probate court in Orange county, was held at his home on Brantree Hill yesterday afternoon. The attendance was large and included members of U. S. Grant post, G. A. R., and of the Randolph University club, to which he belonged.

A simple service was conducted by Rev. Frazer Metzger, pastor of Bethany church. There were flowers from Phoenix lodge, F. & A. M. U. S. Grant post and Randolph University club. Relatives from out of town at the service were Judge Nichols' daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. David Bosworth of Bristol, and a granddaughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. George May of Marshfield.

Interment was in the old cemetery back of the Brantree Hill meeting house, and the bearers were E. H. Ralph, Ray and Royce Nichols, David Bosworth and George May.

## RESPONDENT TOOK STAND.

Louis C. Purinton Denied Responsibility for Death of Milo G. Wright.

Middlebury, Jan. 18.—Arguments were completed in Addison county court to-day in the case of State vs. Louis Purinton, charged with murder in the second degree in connection with the death of Milo G. Wright of Starkboro. The respondent was on the stand during the greater part of the day yesterday. He admitted that he had the revolver, as claimed by the state, but protests that he was discharged accidentally when he was attacked and that others were as much, if not more, to blame than he for the shooting, which resulted in Wright's death.

## Rounds Sentenced.

Boston, Jan. 18.—George H. Rounds, former cashier at a local hotel, retracted a plea of not guilty yesterday and pleaded guilty to charge of the larceny of \$27,855.35 before Judge Brown in the superior criminal court. He was sentenced to state prison from three to four years.

## New Directors.

New Haven, Conn., Jan. 18.—Announcement is made by the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad of the election of Morton F. Plant of Groton, Conn., and Lawrence Minot of Boston to its directorate. They succeeded, respectively, Augustus S. May of New Haven and George M. Miller of New York, resigned.

## Weather Forecast.

Rain and colder to-night. Sunday cloudy and colder, with probably local rains or snows in Maine.

AGED VERMONT  
POETESS DEAD

Julia C. R. Dorr Died To-day at Her Home in Rutland

SHE HAD REACHED  
AGE OF EIGHTY-SEVEN

Born in South Carolina, She  
Was Brought to Vermont  
in Her Infancy

Rutland, Jan. 18.—Julia C. R. Dorr, the Vermont poetess, died at her home this morning at 4:30 o'clock, having reached the age of 87 years. She leaves a daughter, Mrs. William H. Steel, of Brooklyn; a son, Russell R. Dorr, of St. Paul, Minn.; ten grandchildren; a brother, Gen. E. H. Ripley, of New York; and a sister, Mrs. Charles E. Parker, of Vergennes.

Mrs. Dorr was born in Charleston, S. C., February 13, 1825, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Young Ripley. She became motherless in her infancy and was brought to Vermont by her father in 1830. She received her education in Vermont and was married in New York to Seneca M. Dorr, in 1847. Mr. Dorr died in 1884.

Among some of Mrs. Dorr's best known literary works were: Farmingdale Landmark, Sibyl Huntington, Exploration, Bride and Bridegroom, Friar Anselmo, Afterglow, The Flower of England, The Face, A Cathedral Pilgrimage, In Kings' Houses, A Romance of the Days of Queen Anne. The last named was written in 1893, when Mrs. Dorr was 73 years of age.

## EXCELLENT IMPERSONATION.

Given by George Kiernan Under Auspices of Civic Federation.

A very entertaining impersonation was given at the Barre opera house last evening by George Kiernan of Boston, under the auspices of the women's civic federation. Mr. Kiernan had appeared before in Barre and so his promised impersonation of the characters in Dickens' "Cricket on the Hearth" was looked forward to with pleasure. And it may be said that the anticipation of the impersonation was realized fully, although, unfortunately, the weather conditions forbade a large attendance, such as the entertainment merited. His work in portraying half a dozen characters of the story was remarkably clear-cut, particularly in giving Caleb Plummer and Tackles; and the impersonator was cordially received.

Rev. J. B. Reardon introduced Mr. Kiernan and he took the opportunity to commend the women's federation for its work toward the betterment of the city and also for providing entertainments of established value like that presented by Mr. Kiernan.

## GIVEN FAREWELL RECEPTION.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hall Honored at Pleasant Affair Last Evening.

A reception was tendered Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hall last evening at the home of G. C. Hall of Beacon avenue by about fifty of their friends. A program was rendered, consisting of the following: Violin solo, Mr. Traverser, accompanied by G. C. Hall; reading, Mrs. W. Woodcock; solo, Mrs. Pirie; reading, Mrs. H. W. Shores; reading, Mrs. A. Richards; violin solo, Mr. Traverser, accompanied by Mrs. Pierce. Mr. Forsythe read two poems which he composed himself.

Luncheon was served, consisting of sandwiches, cake, coffee, fruit and candy. A. E. Eberle and Mrs. W. Walker presented Mr. and Mrs. Hall a pie knife and a half dozen fruit knives, to which the recipients responded in a pleasing manner. The party broke up at a late hour, wishing Mr. and Mrs. Hall a pleasant journey to their new home in Portland, Ore. Mr. and Mrs. Hall expect to leave Monday. The affair was in charge of Mrs. G. C. Hall and Mrs. W. Woodcock.

## "HELLO" HOP HELD.

Telephone Girls at White River Junction the Hostesses.

White River Junction, Jan. 18.—The day for the employees of the New England Telephone and Telegraph company was held at Gates' opera house last night. The hall was decorated with streamers of blue and white, and a huge blue bell hung from the center chandelier and smaller ones from the other chandeliers.

The dancing, from 9 to 2, was preceded by a concert. About 175 couples attended, some being present from Newport, Lyndonville and Woodstock, Hanover, Lebanon and Claremont, N. H. The committee in charge of the arrangements was Miss Mabel Canfield and Miss Grace Knight. Riley's orchestra of Barre furnished music.

## DEATH OF LEO LEMARR.

Berkley Hill Youth Had Been Ill but Short Time.

Leo, the 14-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Lemarr of Berkley hill, died yesterday afternoon, following a brief illness of pneumonia. The boy contracted a cold which developed into pneumonia last Monday. Besides his parents, the boy is survived by five sisters, who are, Honorine, Yvonne, Alice, Beatrice and Florence. The boy was born in Barre, September, 1898, and has always lived in the city. He attended the Berkley street grammar school. The funeral will be held at St. Monica's church on Sunday morning at 9 o'clock. The interment will be made in the Catholic cemetery.

## HEARD INTERESTING TALK.

Barre Board of Trade Addressed by John W. Gordon.

The Barre Board of Trade opened house at its headquarters last night for an audience of over one hundred business men and others who listened to Ex-Senator John W. Gordon speak on workmen's compensation and a project to establish a factory for manufacture of Eureka Vending machines in Barre. Owing to circumstances which arose late yesterday afternoon, Senator H. G. Barber of Brattleboro, who was to have addressed the gathering, was unable to be present and ex-Senator Gordon was requested to speak in his absence.

Mr. Gordon gave a highly interesting explanation of compensation legislation in its several phases and outlined the differences existing between the old common law provisions for compensation and the compensatory measures included in several laws and proposed laws before the legislature. The speaker pointed out some of the fallacies of common law compensation and gave his views on the best kind of compensation adapted to conditions in Vermont and elsewhere. The speaker was roundly applauded for his contribution to the program.

An effort was made to secure men prominent in labor circles hereabouts to state their attitude on the tentative proposals to supplant the common law, compensatory statutes with modern and more equitable measures. Owing to the lateness of the hour and the eleven-hour change in the original program, however, the committee members were unable to make such an arrangement.

At the conclusion of Mr. Gordon's remarks, Mr. Alexander devoted a half hour to explaining his proposition for manufacturing the vending machine in Barre. The speaker took occasion only to amplify his statements of a few weeks ago and reported a gratifying measure of support for his project.

President Henry A. Phelps of the Board of Trade presided and introduced the speakers in turn. The entertainment committee, consisting of M. S. Rounds, Dr. D. C. Watt, D. M. Barclay, J. J. Morse, A. C. Moore and Principal Carroll H. White, had charge of other arrangements and at the end of the program a bountiful luncheon of spaghetti, sandwiches, coffee and wafers was served, and cigars were passed around. Mrs. C. N. Benedict catered in an acceptable manner.

## TO HAVE NEW OFFICES

AND WAITING ROOM

Tenney Syndicate Leases Ground-Floor Corner of Aldrich Building and Will Make Extensive Changes.

The Charles H. Tenney corporation of Boston, which recently completed a merger of several electric companies in this city and Montpelier, is also on the eve of adding the Barre & Montpelier Traction Co. to its holdings, has leased the corner store in the new Aldrich building and will convert the space into office headquarters for the Barre end of the Consolidated Lighting Co. and the Vermont Power & Lighting Co. With the completion of negotiations for the traction line already in sight the Tenney corporation has provided ample space for a waiting room in the new office. When interviewed this forenoon, Manager C. F. Miller of the Consolidated Co., confirmed the rumor of the lease and said that the present offices in the Howland building would be vacated around the first of February.

Meanwhile, preparations were started this morning for the occupancy of the new tenants in the Aldrich block. According to plans already formed, the entire floor space of approximately 1,000 feet in the south store will be taken up by the main office, the manager's private office, a stock room and the waiting room. The latter convenience will fill a long-felt want among the patrons of the electric road and no pains will be spared to make it as much of a public utility as the cars that travel the traction line. It will be located on the north side of the office and furnished with seats and other accommodations. From 6 o'clock in the morning until the last car leaves for Montpelier at night, the room will be open to patrons of the road.

It will be separated from the main office by a partition of finished birch, plate glass and grill work, while a paneled door will divide it from the small entrance room at the corner of the store.

The main office will have dimensions of 24 and 17 feet, enclosed by grill work and glass partitions. Windows for the light and power patrons will be placed along the partition as well as a window for road patrons. All of the traction company's bundle service will be handled in the main office and an extra window will be available for patrons. Manager Miller's private office will be located in a 12x12 room at the rear of the store, access to which may be gained through the main office or a street entrance.

A new type of indirect lighting will be introduced and not the least noticeable feature of the Tenney corporation's occupancy will be the system of outside lighting, which is calculated to cast a brilliant light all around the fixtures. The office furniture and other fixtures will be entirely new and the grill work, glass partitions and the partitions will come directly from the manufacturer. A. B. Lane has secured the contract to get the store in readiness for the new tenants.

The change in quarters is made necessary by the companies' growing business. Over two years ago, the Consolidated and Vermont firms were compelled to vacate the offices in the Wheelock building on account of inadequate space and the latest step is made necessary by a desire for more office room. Unless present plans miscarry, the work of transferring the offices will be completed by February 5.

## BANQUET AND CONVENTION.

Several Pythian Lodges Represented in White River Junction.

White River Junction, Jan. 18.—A convention of the Knights of Pythias was held last evening with a banquet at the Junction House, served by the Universalists. The lodges represented were the local, Mystic Ascent of Springfield, Bellows Falls, and Valley of Brattleboro. The lodges of Lebanon, N. H., and Bethel were invited guests. Nearly 100 were present.

OFF-SETS WOULD  
BE ABOLISHED

In Amendment to Tax Law  
Proposed by the  
Senate

FIVE PER CENT. LOANS  
TO BE EXEMPTED

Important Changes to Ver-  
mont Tax Law Are  
Drafted

State House, Jan. 18.—After considering taxation for the greater part of the yesterday, the Senate committee of the whole voted to recommend to the Senate that House bill 374 be amended by striking out all after the first section and inserting the following:

Sec. 2. Nothing contained in this act shall be construed to tax money deposited in savings banks, savings institutions, trust companies, or savings bank and trust companies, located within this state, nor to tax money or securities received by a trust company or savings bank and trust company as trustee under order of court, or otherwise, on account of which such bank or banking institution pays a tax to the state; nor to tax money deposited at interest in national banks in this state whereon the rate of interest exceeds two per cent. per annum upon which a tax is required to be paid to the state under the provisions of chapter 37 of the public statutes, as amended by this act, nor to tax any of the various kinds of personal property held by or belonging to corporations, associations or persons, taxed direct to the state, or which, by reason of a tax paid to the state in lieu of a tax on such property, is not required to be set in the grand list pursuant to section 797 of the public statutes, as amended by No. 30 of the acts of 1908; nor to tax any property exempted from taxation.

Sec. 3. Section 515 of the public statutes is hereby amended so as to read as follows: